

Remarks

In this amendment, Applicants have amended claims 47, 57 and 63 to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Accordingly, claims 47-51, 53, 54, 56-58, 60, 62-64, 66, and 68 remain pending. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the application in light of the amendments and the remarks expressed herein, and an early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If there are any issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Amendment. However, if it is determined that any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-0727 (Order No. 170 Cont2).

Respectfully submitted,  
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